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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: November 24, 2015

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: 8:00 a.m.

December 9, 2015

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

REGULAR SESSION

Time: Approximately 9:00 a.m.

December 9, 2015

Location: Resources Auditorium

1416 Ninth Street

Sacramento, California

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

December 8, 2015

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE Location: Resources Bldg. Rm. 1506-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Location: Resources Bldg. Rm. 1501
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 1416 Ninth Street
December 8, 2015 Sacramento, California

SCOPING WORKSHOP: Preliminary Draft Vegetation Treatment Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (VTPEIR):

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

December 8, 2015

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

Contact information: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact Matt Dias, Acting Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244- 2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board_business/meeting_agendas/. Other meeting materials and sign up for WebEx are available at: http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/.

<u>Webcast:</u> The full Board, Committee and Scoping Workshop meetings will be accessible via live webcast. Board members will be in attendance at the meetings' noticed locations, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/. Audio recordings of the full Board meeting will be preserved and available on the Board's website. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video recordings of its Board meetings and audio recordings of its Committee and Scoping Workshop meetings.

BOARD AGENDA

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Call to Order.

2. Adjourn to Executive Session.

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications: Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code: Civil Penalties Under Public Resources Code 4601, Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) The Board will review:

- a. Christ v. California Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. C076957
- b. Rancho Guejito Corp. v. Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, San Diego County Superior Court, Case No. 27-2014-00027683
- c. White v. Pimlott, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A141475
- d. White v. Walters, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A142886
- e. EPIC/CAG v. Board of Forestry, Alameda Superior Court, Case No. RG15793090
- Discussion of permanent replacement of Executive Officer

REGULAR SESSION December 9, 2015

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- 3. Reconvene.
- 4. Announcement of Actions Taken in Executive Session.
- 5. Approval of Minutes from October 2015 Meeting.

MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

- 6. Report of the Chairman.
 - a) Update Regarding Procedures and Process for Permanent Replacement of Board's Executive Officer. Possible Action Item
- 7. Report of the Director/Department.
- 8. Report of the Regulations Coordinator. The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. Possible Action Items: The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.
 - Discussion of Emergency Drought Mortality Exemption 2015-0701-02E
 - The Board may consider extending the existing Emergency Regulations, develop findings and draft regulatory standards for new Emergency Regulations, and/or consider permanent rule making.
 - Discussion of Prioritization of Board authorized actions.
- 9. **Report of Executive Officer.** The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters. proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. Possible Action Items: The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
 - a) Update Regarding Public Records Act Requests

- b) Discussion of the Emergency Proclamation
- c) Update on development of Biomass/Bioenergy Policy
- d) Update on Board comment on the DRAFT NOAA Multispecies Recovery Plan
- 10. Report of the Standing Committees. Committee Chairpersons will report on the actionable items from Committee meetings. Possible Action Items: The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)
 - Forest Practice, Mike Miles, Chair
 - Resource Protection, Sue Husari, Chair
 - Management Committee, Stuart Farber, Chair

11. Report of Board's Advisory Committees.

- Forest Pest Council Katie Harrell.
- Effectiveness Monitoring Committee- Stuart Farber.
- Range Management Advisory Committee Edith Hannigan. Possible Action Items
 - a) Board to consider the re- appointment of Lesa Osterholm and Bill Burrows
 - b) Board to consider the appointment of Andree Soares
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee Matt Dias.

The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. **Possible Action Items**: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

- 12. **Draft Vegetation Treatment Program EIR Scoping Summary.** Discussion of Scoping Workshop. **Possible Action Items.**
- 13. California Forestry Challenge Presentation: Diane Dealey-Neill and student team from Bella Vista High School
- 14. Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project Overview: Edith Hannigan, Board staff
- 15. **CAL FIRE Annual Report on Review of Board Regulations and Priorities:** Bill Solinsky, Forester III THP Administration and Matt Dias, Acting Executive Officer

CONCLUSION

16. Public Forum.

Members of the public may address the Board <u>on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda</u>. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. <u>Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called</u>.

- 17. New and Unfinished Business.
- 18. Adjournment.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

December 8. 2015

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Resources Auditorium Location:

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Resources Bldg. Rm. 1506-12

Sacramento, California

1) RPF/LTO Responsibilities

2) Oak Woodland Management

- 3) Cumulative Impacts Analysis Technical Rule Addendum #2
- 4) New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

Webcast: The Forest Practice Committee Meeting will be accessible via live webcast. Committee members will be in attendance at the meeting's noticed location, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video or audio recordings of its committee meetings.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

December 8, 2015 Time: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Location:

- 1) PRC 4290 Certification Requests
 - a) San Bernardino County
 - b) San Diego County
 - c) Humboldt County
 - d) Orange County
 - e) Santa Barbara County
- 2) Discussion of Strategy to potentially update the Fire Plan and address discussion of Prescribed Fire
- 3) Update on Cal Poly research focused upon on § 1273.09 Dead End Road
- 4) New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

December 8, 2015

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Bldg. Rm. 1501

1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California

1) Update on State Forest Management Plans

- a. Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest Initial Study
- b. Jackson Demonstration State Forest Initial Study
- 2) Issues Related to Timberland Conversion
 - a. Review of the Definition of Conversion provided in 14 CCR § 1100
 - b. Boles Fire, Emergency Procedures Handbook
- 3) New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

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Scoping Workshop: Vegetation Treatment Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Report:

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1) Board Discussion of additional comments received to date on Revised Notice of Preparation and Preliminary DRAFT VTPEIR

- 2) Presentation: National Vegetation Classification System, Todd Keeler-Wolfe, DFW
- 3) Public Forum

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IMPORTANT BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **E-mail to <u>publiccomments@bof.ca.gov</u>**, **Fax to** (916) 653-0989, or U.S. mail to Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.

SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a "Speaker Card" and give it to Board staff **BEFORE** the agenda item is heard. Cards will be available near the entrance of the meeting room.

- Individuals with a shared position are encouraged to select a spokesperson for their group.
- Individuals who sign up by the deadline will have a maximum of three minutes to speak.
 The three minute speaking time may be changed by the Chair, depending on the number of
 speakers. A speaker may not cede time to another speaker. The total amount of time to be
 allotted to a comment period is based upon the number of those wishing to comment, and
 will be announced by the Chair prior to the beginning of the comment period.
- The order of speakers will generally be based on random selection, but public officials may be taken out of order.
- The Chairman retains the right to stop any speaker who raises an issue that is not under the Board's jurisdiction.
- Beverages, food, and sticks or any other objects with handles are strictly prohibited. Larger signs, or signs with handles, may be left in the area between the auditorium entrance and the security screening, for retrieval after the meeting.
- Speakers may bring written copies of their own comments to the Board meeting for distribution to the Members of the Board. Copies of the written comments shall be given to the Clerk of the Board who will ensure the appropriate distribution of the comments. Please provide eleven (11) copies.
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.
- The Board reserves the right to override the above rules in case of emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Board begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed, however, the Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits. The Board may also act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS/MATERIALS

PowerPoint presentations must be provided on a USB flash drive, flash memory card, DVD or CD. <u>All presentations are considered part of the public record</u>. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible. It is recommended that a hard copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.